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OVERCOME: Fairfax County Sniper Task Force supervisor Lt. Bruce Guth, center, is comforted by the FBI's Melissa Thomas and Mike McCoy after jurors recommended the death sentence on Monday.

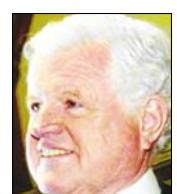
## Medicare Bill Clears Opposition

Measure adds drug benefit, gives role to private sector

**WASHINGTON** | The Senate cleared the way Monday for final congressional passage of landmark legislation to add a prescription drug benefit and a free-enterprise flavor to the government-run Medicare program, repelling twin attacks by die-hard Democratic opponents.

A late-night final vote was expected on the measure, which would make the most sweeping changes in Medicare since the program was created in 1965.

Defiant in defeat, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., said the legislation "starts the unraveling of the Medicare system," and he accused the Republicans of planning a follow-up attack on Social Security after the next election.



At its heart, the legislation was designed as a compromise of sorts. The new drug benefit long sought by Democrats was combined with a Republican-backed plan to give private insurance companies a vast new role in health care for the program's beneficiaries.

The scope of the bill goes far beyond that, though, including an additional \$25 billion for rural hospitals and health care providers, a requirement for higher-income seniors to pay more for certain coverage, and billions of dollars to discourage corporations from eliminating coverage for their retirees once the new government program begins.

DAVID ESPO (AP)

## Sentenced to Death

Muhammad remains stoic as jury recommends execution

**VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.** | A jury decided Monday that John Allen Muhammad should be executed for choosing who should live and who should die during the sniper attacks that gripped the Washington area for three terrifying weeks last fall.

The enigmatic Muhammad, 42, reacted with the same stern look he had through most of the trial.

The jury deliberated more than five hours over two days before deciding the fate of the man who masterminded the reign of terror. Its recommendation is not final. Judge Leroy F. Millette Jr. can reduce the punishment to life in prison without parole when Muhammad

is sentenced on Feb. 12.

The jury concluded that prosecutors proved both aggravating factors necessary to impose the death penalty: that Muhammad would pose a danger and that his crimes were wantonly vile.

Muhammad was sentenced to death on both counts he was convicted of last Monday: committing multiple murders and committing murder in a plot to terrorize the public.

"They took pleasure in terrorizing people," prosecutor Paul Ebert said Monday of Muhammad and fellow suspect Lee Boyd Malvo. "They took pleasure in killing people. That's the kind of man that doesn't deserve to be in society."



Muhammad

MATTHEW BARAKAT (AP)

**ANIMAL WATCH | Unruffling Feathers** The holiday season can be stressful, especially if you're a turkey. So the British National Farmers' Union came up with a plan to soothe the stressed bird. The organization sent 114 farmers a CD of sounds — including birds twittering, wind

chimes and the gobble of "happy turkeys" — to play to their birds. "Many farmers who already play radios in sheds where they keep turkeys also believe the birds taste nicer," a spokesman said. (AP) **EyeOpeners** | Page 2



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# EyeOpeners



HUGH GRANNAN/Detroit Free Press/AP

## LANDMARKS

## Hammer Time

If you believe real estate agent Ralph Roberts, an 11-foot-tall, 500-pound nail has become Detroit's latest sensation. The nail was once part of a Uniroyal Tires ad, meant to show the tire could withstand punctures, the Detroit Free Press reported Monday. But after Roberts, 46, bought the nail for \$3,000 in October, it has been part of parades and football games and will soon spawn products such as lapel pins, cuff links and a clothing line. Roberts told the paper he is working to get the nail featured in the next music video of his most famous client, Eminem. (EXPRESS)

### LINGUISTICS Misplaced Accent

Judi Roberts isn't British, but you wouldn't know that by hearing her talk. The 57-year-old Sarasota, Fla., resident suffered a stroke four years ago, and then found her Philadelphia-area accent had been replaced by a higher-pitched English lilt. Experts at the University of Central Florida diagnosed Roberts this summer with an extremely rare disorder caused by brain injury called "foreign accent syndrome," the Sarasota Herald-Tribune reports. Roberts's case is one of only 20 reported in the past 80 years. (EXPRESS)

### POLITICS The Common Defense

Residents of Geuda Springs, Kan., have passed an ordinance requiring most households to have guns and ammunition. Noncomplying residents would be fined \$10 under the ordinance, passed 3-2 earlier this month by City Council members who thought it would help protect the town of 210 people. However, those who conscientiously oppose firearms would be exempt from the rule. (AP)

An alleged bank robber identified by witnesses because he forgot to cut eye holes in his disguise has been arrested — a few blocks from where he pulled off the flawed caper, police said. Stephen David Walker was spotted last Thursday walking down a Modesto, Calif., street near the Oak Valley Community Bank branch police say he robbed earlier in the week. (AP)

### UPDATE Unmasked Man

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### LAW A Bunch of Bologna

Border agents last week landed a meaty bust, seizing 756 pounds of bologna arranged into the shape of a car seat and covered with blankets in a man's pickup. U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers seized 81 rolls of Mexican bologna Friday at the Paso Del Norte bridge in Texas as the pickup entered the United States. Officials said the bologna can be sold to a customer in the United States for between \$5 and \$10 a roll. (AP)



YASMINA ABOYD/EL PASO TIMES/AP

### 5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

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AQI Today: Not available

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## In Brief

WASHINGTON

### Pentagon Releases 20 Guantanamo Bay Detainees

The government has freed 20 prisoners from its high-security prison for foreign terror suspects in Cuba, bringing the total released to more than 80, and plans to send dozens more home soon, officials said Monday. The next batch, however, will probably get out of the Guantanamo Bay prison only if their governments promise to continue to imprison and investigate them, two senior U.S. officials said. (AP)

PORTLAND, ORE.

### Two Americans Sentenced For Trying to Join Taliban

Two American Muslims who tried to join the Taliban were sentenced to 18 years in prison Monday during a hearing in which they denounced the Bush administration and pleaded in song for freedom. Patrice Lumumba Ford, 32, and Jeffrey Leon Battle, 33, had pleaded guilty in October to conspiracy to levy war against the United States. Both said that in trying to reach Afghanistan, they were fulfilling their Islamic duty to defend fellow Muslims. (AP)

WASHINGTON

### U.S. Says Raw Meat Salmonella Cases Declining

Federal inspectors are finding less meat contaminated with salmonella, the leading cause of food poisoning, Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman said Monday. She said inspectors found salmonella in just 3.6 percent of raw meat and poultry sampled in 2003 — the lowest rate in six years. (AP)

JOHNSON CITY, TENN.

### Man Injured At KKK Initiation After Shots Fired in the Air

A bullet fired in the air during a Ku Klux Klan initiation ceremony came down and struck a participant in the head, critically injuring him, authorities said. Gregory Allen Freeman, 45, was charged with aggravated assault and reckless endangerment in the Saturday night incident that wounded Jeffery S. Murr, 24. The man who was being initiated was blindfolded, tied with a noose to a tree and shot with paintball guns as Freeman fired a pistol in the air to provide the sound of real gunfire, Sheriff Ed Graybeal said. (AP)

GETTING READY | TURKEY TRIMMING



FRED BLOCHER/THE KANSAS CITY STAR/AP

**FINAL PUSH:** Ryan Knickerbocker and Andy Conard keep busy preparing turkeys for smoking at Fritz's Smoked Meats in Leawood, Kan., on Monday. The Leawood business has five smokers that each can hold 150 turkeys, so they are able to handle the influx of Thanksgiving business.



**BY THE NUMBERS:** Democratic presidential candidate Howard Dean leads rival John Kerry by 9 percentage points in the senator's home state of Massachusetts, according to a survey of likely primary voters. Dean, the former Vermont governor, had 33 percent support to Kerry's 24 percent in the RKM Research and Communications poll conducted Nov. 19-21 for the Boston Herald and released Monday. Twenty-one percent of those questioned were undecided. (AP)

## Opponents Dogpile on Dean During Debate

Presidential hopeful assailed for his moves as Vermont governor

DES MOINES, IOWA | Howard Dean's record and words came back to haunt him Monday as seven of his Democratic presidential rivals accused him of flip-flopping on social spending, Medicare and even his most potent political issue: opposition to the war in Iraq.

The former Vermont governor denied the charges or dodged the questions during a two-hour debate, adding with a sarcastic sidebar, "I most certainly appreciate all this attention that I'm getting."

**Eight sides:** Presidential hopefuls discussed Medicare, Iraq and other issues | A full transcript and video of the debate is available at [washingtonpost.com/politics](http://washingtonpost.com/politics)

The barbs came from the usual corners: Rep. Dick Gephardt, who is tied with Dean in Iowa polls, and Sen. John Kerry, who is trying to salvage his candidacy by erasing Dean's double-digit lead in New Hampshire.

Gephardt said Dean cut social spending while serving as Vermont's five-term governor, and supported one pro-war congressional resolution on Iraq as a presidential candidate. Kerry demanded that Dean promise not to slow the growth of Medicare.

"I'd like to slow the pace of this debate," Dean shot back.

After repeatedly slipping the question, he finally declared, "We will not cut Medicare in order to balance the budget." RON FOURNIER (AP)

## President Urges Resolve on Iraq

Bush visits military base after signing \$401B defense bill

FORT CARSON, COLO. | President Bush, at an Army base that has seen 31 soldiers die in Iraq, sought Monday to reassure their families and an anxious nation that America is safer because of the mission there.

"All our military families that mourn can know this: Our nation will never forget the sacrifice that their loved one made to protect us all," Bush said.

Bush's message of resolve on Iraq — delivered twice Monday, in twin speeches at the Defense Department headquarters in Washington and before about 5,000 people crowded inside a hangar at a base of the Rocky Mountains — came a day after two U.S. soldiers were slain and mutilated in Mosul, previously one of the safest areas of Iraq for coalition forces.

Earlier, Bush signed into law a \$401.3 billion bill authorizing



FABIO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/AP  
President Bush greets soldiers after delivering a speech on Iraq in Fort Carson, Colorado, on Monday.

2004 defense programs that gives the department greater control over its civilian work force and eases environmental restrictions on the military. It also provides new benefits to active duty soldiers and veterans.

The bill does not provide the money for military programs, most of which comes from a \$368 billion appropriations bill signed by Bush in September.

"America's military is standing between our country and grave danger," he said at the Pentagon ceremony. JENNIFER LOVEN (AP)



CHARLIE NEBBERGALL/AP  
Democratic presidential candidates, from left, Rep. Richard Gephardt, Gen. Wesley Clark and the Rev. Al Sharpton participate in a debate Monday in Des Moines, Iowa.

### Lieberman Excluded From Iowa Debate

DES MOINES, IOWA | Sen. Joe Lieberman wants to debate after all. And he's crying foul at the Democratic National Committee for excluding him from a presidential faceoff Monday.

The Connecticut senator, who is not competing in Iowa's caucuses, had rejected an invitation to attend the Des Moines debate sponsored by the DNC.

But after fellow Sens. John

Edwards of North Carolina and John Kerry of Massachusetts were allowed to participate by satellite from a Washington studio, Lieberman asked to participate as well. The DNC declined.

A Lieberman spokesman called the decision unfair, but DNC officials said the decision was made after canvassing the other candidates' campaigns and with technical concerns in mind. (AP)

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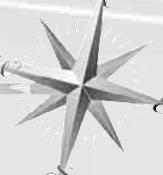
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## Nation

# Teamsters Join Calif. Strike

Move stems delivery  
of grocery supplies  
during holiday week

EL MONTE, CALIF. | The Teamsters union said Monday its members will stop delivering groceries to three Southern California supermarket chains where grocery clerks have been on strike or been locked out for more than a month.

The move effectively shuts off supplies to Vons, Ralphs and Albertsons stores during the critical shopping week of the Thanksgiving holiday.

The action, taken after the striking clerks moved to expand their picket lines to regional distribution centers, was called a "silver bullet" by Jim Santangelo, president of Teamsters Joint Council 42 in El Monte.

The grocery chains said in a joint statement that they could make it through the crucial Thanksgiving shopping rush regardless.

Health care coverage is a main issue in the conflict with Kroger



Members of the Teamsters union picket in El Monte, Calif., on Monday. The union said it plans to begin picketing stores in Maryland and D.C. this weekend.

Co., owner of the Ralphs chain, Vons owner Safeway Inc. and Albertsons Inc.

About 70,000 grocery workers are either on strike or locked out, affecting nearly 860 stores from

San Luis Obispo to San Diego.

The union also said it would begin picketing Safeway stores in the District of Columbia and Maryland this weekend.

JEREMIAH MARQUEZ (AP)

## CRASH | DEADLY ACCIDENT



**PILEUP:** Officials respond to the scene of a fatal traffic accident on Route 3 in Clifton, N.J.. One person was killed and seven others were injured in a massive pileup that snarled traffic for miles Monday morning. The crash involved two tractor-trailers and as many as 12 other vehicles, police said.

# Air Traffic Privatization Delayed

WASHINGTON | The Bush administration agreed to shield all air traffic control jobs from privatization for a year to get Congress to approve a \$60 billion aviation spending bill that was stalled over the issue.

The Bush administration wanted Congress to give the Federal Aviation Administration authority to hire private operators at 69 towers, mostly at smaller airports.

The measure, which President Bush is expected to sign, says the government must provide self-defense training for flight attendants, allows cargo pilots to carry guns and provides billions for construction and security projects.

The bill also orders the government to create a self-defense course for flight attendants in a year. The course will teach techniques for subduing an attacker, using items aboard the aircraft for self-defense and protection against sharp objects. (AP)

## Report: Faster Drivers Create Hazards

WASHINGTON | States that raised their speed limits to 70 mph or more saw a dramatic increase in the number of people killed in traffic accidents, according to a report released Monday by an auto safety group funded by insurers.

The study, compiled by the Insurance Institute for Highway

Safety, determined 1,880 more people died between 1996 and 1999 in the 22 states with higher speed limits.

A separate review of six states by the institute found drivers traveling the fastest they have since long before Congress repealed the 55 mph national speed limit in November 1995. (AP)

## In Brief

CONGO

**Mobutu's Son Returns From Exile, With Eye on Election**

Manda Mobutu, the 43-year-old son of late Congo dictator Mobutu Sese Seko, has returned from six years of exile, aides said Monday. Mobutu's father ruled Congo for 32 years until he was driven out in 1997 by then-rebel Laurent Kabila. Kabila's son, Joseph Kabila, now leads Congo at the head of a power-sharing government, which is supposed to hold its first-ever national democratic elections within three years. Mobutu came back in part to prepare for the vote, an aide confirmed. (AP)

COLOMBIA

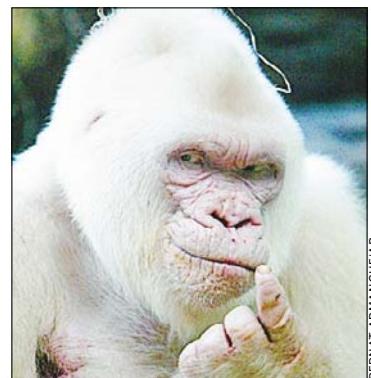
**Rebels Release 2 Hostages**

Rebels released two European hostages Monday, handing them over to a humanitarian commission. The leftist National Liberation Army said it kidnapped eight foreign backpackers on Sept. 12 to raise awareness about the alleged hardship inflicted by outlawed right-wing paramilitary factions and the army on the Indian inhabitants of the Sierra Nevada. A Catholic church official said he believed the remaining hostages would be released soon. (AP)

SPAIN

**Snowflake, Zoo's Beloved Albino Gorilla, Dies of Cancer**

Snowflake, an extremely rare albino gorilla and the most popular resident of the Barcelona Zoo, died of skin cancer early Monday morning, zoo officials said. He had been suffering from skin cancer since 2001. In September, officials announced his imminent death, and since then Barcelona citizens had flocked to the zoo to say their good-byes to the often grouchy animal, the city's mascot. (AP)



Snowflake, seen in this file photo from September, died of skin cancer Monday.

RUSSIA | DORMITORY FIRE



**STRANDED:** A man stands in front of a charred dormitory for foreign students at the People's Friendship University in Moscow. A fire swept through the dormitory Monday, killing 36 people and injuring 200. The students—from Asia, Africa and Latin America—had just arrived in the city.

**Hong Kong Voters Opt for Opposition**

HONG KONG | Discontent with Hong Kong's leader moved from the street to the ballot box as voters handed the top pro-Beijing party a stunning defeat in local elections, foretelling a fierce fight in next year's legislative contests.

The opposition Democratic Party claimed 92 contested District Council seats Sunday, up from 86 four years ago, according to results released Monday. The pro-Beijing Democratic Alliance for the Betterment of Hong Kong got 62

seats, 21 fewer than last time.

The lopsided returns showed the "people power" movement may have some staying power. The movement exploded with a march by 500,000 people July 1 against a proposed anti-subversion bill, forcing the city's chief executive, Tung Chee-hwa, to shelve the legislation—which many here called a threat to civil liberties. It was Tung's first big retreat since he took office when Britain returned Hong Kong to China in 1997.

The DAB's poor showing was seen as a backlash against Tung, raising the stakes for next year's legislative elections. DIRK BEVERIDGE (AP)

**Iraqi Council Bans Arab TV Station**

Al-Arabiya accused of inciting violence; media groups decry decision

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | One of the biggest Arab television news networks agreed Monday to halt reports from Iraq after the U.S.-appointed government raided its offices, banned its broadcasts and threatened to imprison journalists. Media groups said the action called into question the future of a free press in Iraq.

The Iraqi Governing Council banned Al-Arabiya from working in Iraq for "a certain time" for broadcasting an audiotape a week ago of a voice it said belonged to Saddam Hussein.

"Al-Arabiya incites murder because it's calling for killings through the voice of Saddam Hussein," said Jalal Talabani, the current council president.

Shortly after Talabani finished his news conference, about 20 Iraqi police officers raided Al-Arabiya's offices in Baghdad. Correspondent Ali al-Khatib, reporting live from the Iraqi capital, said the officers told employees they would be fined \$1,000 and imprisoned for a year for each violation. BASSEM MROUE (AP)

**UNTANGLING MOSUL****→ Responding to witness**

reports that two U.S. soldiers in Mosul were killed by gunmen on Sunday and then dragged from their vehicle and pummeled with rocks, a military official said the Army has no indication that the men were beaten or that their bodies were mutilated. The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Monday that Iraqis robbed the soldiers' vehicle and stole personal effects from their bodies. (AP)

**An uncertain legacy:** The challenges facing the U.S.-trained security forces that will inherit responsibility for keeping order in Iraq | Today's Post: Section A

**Pentagon: Enemy Fire Didn't Bring Down U.S. Copter**

BAGRAM, AFGHANISTAN | Engine failure—not enemy fire—may have downed a U.S. transport helicopter in Afghanistan, Pentagon officials said Monday, as soldiers at the scene searched the burned wreckage of the crash that killed five U.S. servicemen and injured eight.

The MH-53 helicopter, which can carry up to 55 people, had just left Bagram Air Base to support a special military operation by the U.S.-led coalition in northeastern Afghanistan, when it crashed about seven miles to the east on Sunday.

There was no indication the helicopter was hit by hostile fire before it crashed, Pentagon officials in Washington said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Bagram, just north of Kabul, is home to most of the 11,600 coalition forces in Afghanistan. (AP)

**Cautious Steps After Georgian Coup**

Leader of revolution warns that violence could still erupt

TBILISI, GEORGIA | A day after President Eduard Shevardnadze resigned under intense pressure from protesters, the leader of the demonstrations warned Monday that the country's tensions could still erupt into bloodshed.

"I don't expect that, but it could always happen given our history," said Mikhail Saakashvili.

Shevardnadze resigned Sunday after a decade of mounting discontent and three weeks of protests over parliamentary elections his crit-



Interim President Nino Burdzhanadze leads a Security Council meeting Monday.

ics said exemplified the corruption that has plagued the former Soviet republic during his reign. The denouement was striking for its lack of bloodshed in a country

steeped in political violence.

Meanwhile, the woman who declared herself Shevardnadze's temporary successor, Nino Burdzhanadze, on Monday pledged to hold elections within 45 days. She later said that she would repeal the state of emergency declared two days earlier by Shevardnadze.

Shevardnadze on Monday said he intended to remain in Georgia and denied reports that he would go into exile in Germany—where he is widely respected for his help as Soviet Foreign Minister in reunifying the country. "My homeland is Georgia and I owe it to her to stay here," Shevardnadze told the German TV station ZDF. (AP)

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## Region

# Sniper Jurors Explain Verdict

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. | Videotapes of John Allen Muhammad tenderly playing with his children made juror Dennis Bowman think last Friday that the sniper mastermind should be spared a death sentence and given life in prison.

But after a sleepless Sunday night, he changed his mind.

"The man doesn't care about anything but himself," he said Monday after he and 11 other jurors recommended Muhammad be executed.

Some jurors said after the verdict that the absence of any emotion from Muhammad, combined with the broad scope and violence of the sniper shootings, convinced them he deserved to die.

Robert Elliott said he watched Muhammad closely during the trial.

"I looked for something in him that might have shown remorse," Elliott said. "And I never saw it."

Jury foreman Jerry Haggerty



Jury foreman Jerry Haggerty answers questions from the press Monday.

added that Muhammad came across as arrogant when he temporarily acted as his own lawyer at the start of the trial.

The jury convicted Muhammad on two capital murder charges last week for killing Dean Meyers on Oct. 9, 2002, in Manassas and orchestrating sniper shootings across several states last fall. STEPHEN MANNING (AP)

**Guilt:** For complete coverage and analysis of John Allen Muhammad's sniper case | [washingtonpost.com/metro](http://washingtonpost.com/metro)

## In Brief

### WASHINGTON

#### Guardian Angels Set Up Offices in Columbia Heights

With backing from a local councilman, crime fighters famous for their red berets and street patrols are setting up shop in a section of the nation's capital plagued by gang violence. "Perhaps through a sense of exasperation, perhaps with a sense of optimism, we're turning to the Guardian Angels," Councilman Jim Graham said in front of the nonprofit group's future D.C. headquarters in Columbia Heights. (AP)

### SPRINGFIELD, VA.

#### VDOT Warns of Future Delays in Snow Removal

Another snowy winter like the last one could result in some northern Virginia roads waiting longer to see a plow, officials warned Monday. Of its \$80 million snow removal budget for this winter, the Virginia Department of Transportation said \$24 million is earmarked for suburban Washington, D.C. That is less than half the \$48.6 million spent in northern Virginia last winter. (AP)

## Gov. Warner Unveils Tax Plan in Va.

RICHMOND, VA. | Gov. Mark R. Warner proposed a tax reform plan Monday that would add a penny to the state sales tax, trim the food tax and increase taxes on the wealthiest while reducing income taxes for the working poor.

He said his plan will reduce taxes for 65 percent of Virginians as it finally finishes the 1998 car tax phaseout and eliminates the estate tax for working farms and family businesses. The proposal increases the nation's lowest state cigarette tax from 2.5 cents a pack to 25 cents.

Beginning his most ambitious policy initiative yet, Warner said that his overhaul of Virginia's patchwork of state and local taxes would yield about \$478 million more for the fiscal year that starts next July and \$541 million the year after that.

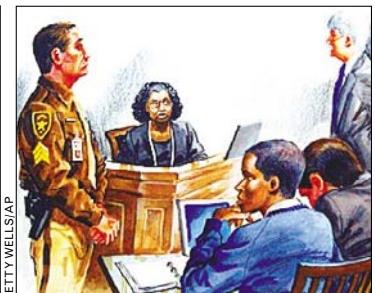
BOB LEWIS (AP)

## Malvo's Father Takes Stand in Trial

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA. | In Chesapeake, Va., the prosecution rested its case in Lee Boyd Malvo's trial after jurors heard the remainder of a recorded interview with police in which the teenager bragged about his marksmanship and admitted pulling the trigger in all the shootings.

Then, the defense opened its case with a human touch. The teenager's father, Leslie Malvo of Kingston, Jamaica, testified that he had a "very nice relationship, a loving one" with his son. "Lee was my pride," Leslie Malvo said.

The defendant's father cried, sniffled and took long pauses as he recounted how he would buy his son



Lee Boyd Malvo watches during testimony during his trial Monday.

ice cream almost every night. Lee Malvo, sitting at the defense table, laughed as his father described how the ice cream dripped down the 3-year-old Lee's hand and arm. (AP)

## Baltimore Mayor Sues Gov. Ehrlich

BALTIMORE, MD. | Baltimore Mayor Martin O'Malley sued Gov. Robert Ehrlich on Monday over the right to determine who will sit atop the city's Department of Social Services. The suit would force Ehrlich's

appointee, Floyd R. Blair, to step down as director.

O'Malley contends Blair lacks the five years' experience as an administrator required by state law and that the Ehrlich administration shut the city out of the selection process. The Ehrlich administration insists Blair is qualified and that his appointment was done properly. (AP)

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# Money

## In Brief

## ENRON

### Investigator Says Leaders Of Enron Bear Blame

Enron Corp.'s former top two executives as well as former directors, accountants and attorneys are in "a circle of responsibility for Enron's financial demise" whether or not they are legally culpable, bankruptcy court-appointed examiner Neal Batson concluded in his final report made public Monday. An attorney for former Enron chairman Kenneth Lay denied suggestions of negligence in the report. Former chief executive Jeffrey Skilling's attorney did not immediately return a call. (AP)

## MUSIC

### Bronfman Group to Buy Warner Music for \$2.6B

A group led by former Universal Music chief Edgar Bronfman Jr. said Monday it has agreed to buy Time Warner Inc.'s Warner Music Group for \$2.6 billion in cash, creating one of the world's largest independent music companies. Warner Music is home to such artists as Madonna and R.E.M., and labels including Warner Bros. and Atlantic. (AP)

## WALL STREET

### Stocks Jump on Dollar's Rise

The Nasdaq composite index notched its best advance in nearly five months Monday as a recovery in the dollar motivated investors to pick up shares following two weeks of declines. (AP)

## Market Action

## New York Stock Exchange

## Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
UniSrcEn	24.49	+5.09	+26.2
Vestalns	3.75	+.54	+16.8
Sitel	2.30	+.31	+15.6
APT Sat	2.42	+.32	+15.2
TncoAut	5.55	+.69	+14.2

## Losers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Revlon	2.41	-.20	-7.7
TorchEn	6.45	-.45	-6.5
RetailVent	5.12	-.33	-6.1
StillwtrM	8.02	-.49	-5.8
Head NV	2.55	-.15	-5.6

## Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	4.00	4.00
Fed Funds close	1.00	1.0625
3-month	0.92	0.93
2-year	1.89	1.78
10-year	4.23	4.20
30-year	5.07	5.05

# Boeing Fires CFO Over Misconduct

CHICAGO | Boeing Co. unexpectedly fired its chief financial officer on Monday for unethical conduct, saying he negotiated the hiring of a missile defense expert while she worked for the U.S. government and was in a position to influence Boeing contracts.

The former Air Force official, Darleen Druyun, was dismissed along with CFO Mike Sears 10 months after she was hired.

The disclosure refocuses attention on the government's controversial multibillion-dollar plan to acquire 100 of Boeing's 767 planes for use as midair refueling tankers. The Pentagon's Office of the Inspector General has been looking into allegations Druyun acted improperly in giving Boeing finan-



CFO Mike Sears and executive Darleen Druyun who were dismissed Monday.

cial information about a competing bid by Airbus.

Boeing said Sears was dismissed for communicating with Druyun about future employment before she had disqualified herself from acting in her official government capacity on matters involving Boeing.

Boeing maintained it committed no wrongdoing during the leasing-plan process. DAVE CARPENTER (AP)

### Cell Phone Users Revel in New Rule

NEW YORK | Phone companies reported brisk business Monday as cell phone users took advantage of new federal rules enabling them to change providers without switching their numbers.

The long-awaited rule change, which some called "wireless emancipation," set off a marketing blitz

by cell phone companies, fearful of losing their customers and anxious to snare new ones from rivals.

Cellular carriers were fighting as recently as September to block or delay the new FCC rules. The change covers the nation's 100 largest markets, and rural cellular providers are still seeking to stop the change.

The new regulations also allow consumers to move their home or office number to a cell phone. (AP)

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# Sports

## Ailing Mourning Calls It a Career

Kidney disease forces former Georgetown center to seek transplant

**PRO BASKETBALL** | New Jersey Nets center Alonzo Mourning is leaving basketball again because the kidney



Mourning

disease he's had for three years is worsening and he needs a transplant.

The announcement Monday came just a few months after Mourning, 33, signed a four-year contract with the Nets believed to be worth \$22 million. The four-time All-Star sat out all of last season and large portions of two of the last three years because of the life-threatening kidney ail-

ment, focal glomerulosclerosis.

The team said Mourning, a former Georgetown star, who was in his 12th NBA season, needs a transplant "in the near future" and that a nationwide search is under way for a prospective donor.

Dr. Gerald Appel of Columbia University Medical Center said Mourning's kidney function has deteriorated rapidly in recent weeks.

Mourning played in 12 games for the Nets this season, averaging a disappointing 8 points and 2.3 rebounds in 17.9 minutes. His career averages were 20.3 points and 9.8 rebounds per game coming into this season.

The disease was detected in 2000, while Mourning was with the Miami Heat. **TOM CANAVAN (AP)**

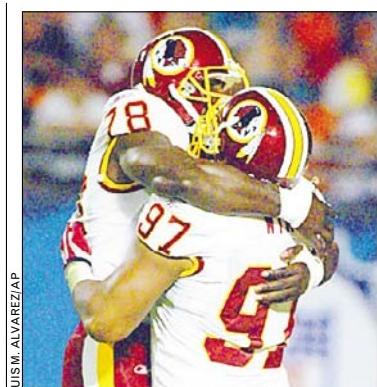
## Smith Takes Case To Owner Snyder

**PRO FOOTBALL** | In no mood to celebrate tying the all-time sacks record, Bruce Smith took his case for more playing time to Washington Redskins owner Dan Snyder.

Smith got a half-sack in Washington's 24-23 loss at Miami on Sunday night. But the losing and his demotion to backup status has the defensive end too upset to enjoy the fact he's equaled Reggie White's mark of 198.

Smith said he discussed his limited role with Snyder after the game. "I can't help this team win if I'm not on the field," Smith said.

Smith was taken out of the starting lineup four games ago, the first



Bruce Smith (78) and Renaldo Wynn celebrate after Smith tied the sack record.

time he has not started since 1986. He has just three sacks on the season.

Coach Steve Spurrier declined comment and Snyder was not at Redskins Park Monday to comment. **(AP)**

## Terps Accept Bid to the Gator Bowl

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL** | Maryland accepted an invitation Monday to play in the Gator Bowl for the first time since 1975.

The worst Maryland (8-3) can do is tie for second with Clemson in the Atlantic Coast Conference. Because the Terrapins beat the Tigers, they were the clear pick for the Gator Bowl, which gets the first

choice of ACC teams after the Bowl Championship Series representative is decided. Conference champion Florida State will get the BCS bid.

Maryland will play a Big East representative. If West Virginia defeats Temple on Saturday, and the Mountaineers are not chosen as the Big East representative for the BCS, they will come to



Backup quarterback Tim Hasselbeck built a 13-point lead Sunday, but the Redskins lost. Hasselbeck will play this week if Patrick Ramsey is still injured.

## Spurrier Apologizes for Redskins' Losing Season

**PRO FOOTBALL** | Conceding the playoffs as "very, very unrealistic," Washington Redskins coach Steve Spurrier defended his assistant coaches on Monday and said Patrick Ramsey will remain the starting quarterback if healthy.

Spurrier also announced that left tackle Chris Samuels will miss Sunday's game against New Orleans with a knee injury and that defensive tackle Jermaine Haley won't play again this season because of a thumb injury. Ramsey's status for the Saints game is uncertain because of an ailing foot.

"I apologize to the Redskins fans out there that our team has not achieved what I thought we were capable of this year," Spurrier said.

The assistant coach most likely to be under fire is defensive coordinator George Edwards, who has



**BY THE NUMBERS:** Southern California (10-1) moved back into the No. 2 spot in the latest BCS rankings, released Monday. Last week, Ohio State was No. 2, but it lost to Michigan Saturday. Oklahoma remains No. 1. **(AP)**

seen the defense drop from fifth to 26th in the NFL rankings since taking over.

The Redskins (4-7) have allowed two long scoring drives in the fourth quarter of each of the last two games, including two touchdowns to blow a 13-point lead Sunday.

Spurrier's offense also gets blame for the collapse. The Redskins have settled for field goals after getting great field position following turnovers.

So there are plenty of reasons for Spurrier to proclaim "we're all losers now," as he did after Sunday's game, especially after the team felt it should have been celebrating an emotional win behind backup quarterback Tim Hasselbeck.

**JOSEPH WHITE (AP)**

**Controversy:** Thomas Boswell considers whether there should be a quarterback controversy in D.C. | Today's Post, Sports

## In Brief

### PRO BASKETBALL

#### Arenas's X-Rays Are Negative

Washington Wizards point guard Gilbert Arenas has a lower abdominal strain and is day-to-day. Arenas was injured in the fourth quarter of Sunday's 88-85 loss to the Seattle SuperSonics. X-rays taken Monday were negative; MRI results are expected Tuesday. **(AP)**

### PRO BASEBALL

#### Hall-of-Famer Spahn Dies

Warren Spahn, the Hall of Fame pitcher who won more games than any other left-hander in history, died Monday. He was 82. Spahn died at his home, family friend Gary Caruso said. Spahn was the mainstay of the Braves' pitching staff for two decades, first in Boston and then in Milwaukee. He pitched for 21 seasons, winning 363 games and posting 20 or more victories 13 times. **(AP)**



Spahn

### PRO FOOTBALL

#### NFL: Referee Blunder Gave Ravens Extra Time to Score

An officiating blunder Sunday gave Baltimore critical extra time in its fourth-quarter comeback victory over Seattle, the NFL said Monday. NFL supervisor of officials Mike Pereira said both the 40-second clock and the game clock should have been restarted after an officials' conference over a penalty call with 58 seconds. Because the clock wasn't started, the Ravens had 39 seconds left instead of four or five when they got the ball back.

Baltimore ended up tying the game on Matt Stover's field goal following a key 44-yard pass interference penalty. Baltimore won 44-41. **(AP)**

## Today's TV Lineup

### PRO BASKETBALL (10 p.m. on Comcast)

The Washington Wizards face the Portland Trail Blazers.

**SOCER** (2:30 p.m. on ESPN2) Only three points separate Inter Milan and last place Arsenal in Group B of the Champions League.

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL** (8 p.m. on Comcast) Maryland hosts George Mason.

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL** (9 p.m. on ESPN) No. 3 Michigan State visits No. 6 Kansas in an early season contest.

**MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL** (7 p.m. on ESPN and 10 p.m. on ESPN2) The semifinals of the Maui Invitational.

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL** (7 p.m. on ESPN2) North Texas visits New Mexico State in a Sun Belt Conference game.

# Entertainment

# P.O.D. Reloaded

**Metal-rap with a crunchy exterior and a soft center**

**MUSIC** | In their 13 years together, the members of P.O.D. have never denied their faith. And frontman Sonny Sandoval says the group never will.

"It's going to come out, whether I build houses or collect garbage," he said.

Spirituality and positivity have saturated the band's material to date and have helped turn P.O.D. into a multiplatinum-selling act.

With the new Atlantic effort, "Payable on Death," both band and label hope that the faith of the 2.7 million U.S. fans who bought P.O.D.'s previous album also remains intact, as the new set features a stylistic change brought on by a shift in personnel.

And to ensure that the group's fan base continues to testify, the first 1 million copies of the album will include a second disc with a multitude of value-added components, including a video game.

This transformation is due in part to new guitarist Jason Truby, who joined the band earlier this year after the exit of original guitarist Marcos Curiel.

Committed to writing the lead single for the "Matrix Reloaded" soundtrack and strapped for a gu-



**WHAT WOULD JAH DO?** Payable on Death rejects the "Christian-rock" tag and the clean-cut trappings of faith-driven bands.

tarist, P.O.D. called Truby, whom the band's members knew from his former group, Living Sacrifice.

Rap/rock has met with diminishing returns of late, and Sandoval says that the lack of rap on the latest album comes as a result of adding Truby to the mix as a permanent band member.

Truby draws from his background in jazz, classical and hardcore to flesh out the sound of the band, which includes bassist Traa-

Daniels and drummer Noah "Wuv" Bernardo.

While P.O.D.'s first album for Atlantic, 1999's "The Fundamental Elements of Southtown," sold 900,000 copies in two years, the band did much of that without the support of radio.

That all changed after "Alive," the first single from the "Satellite" album. Radio embraced "Alive" as a healing anthem after the tragedies of Sept. 11.

While P.O.D.'s spiritual nature and lyrics praising "Jah" have led some to call it a Christian band, Sandoval says he and his bandmates don't necessarily want to be labeled as such.

"If someone wants to know my personal beliefs and [that] I have joy in my life, then I want to share that with them, too. But if you just want to rock out and listen to music, then by all means, let the music take you."

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# Burning It Up

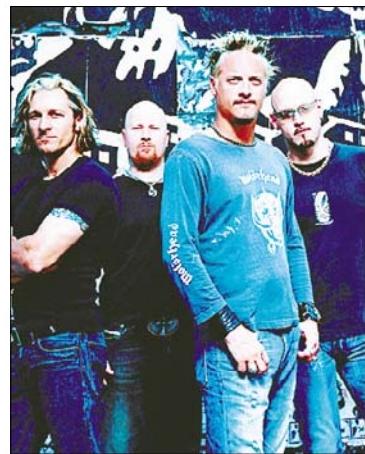
**MUSIC** | There are those who would say that Fuel has lost some of its nasty edge since the Pennsylvania quartet hit it big with a smoking double-platinum debut, "Sunburn," five years ago.

Others would defend the band's unexpected transition to pop-radio status as a promising evolution of songwriting and musicianship.

"Natural Selection" (Epic), the band's third album, supports both of these arguments.

The band — which features the raspy, soulful pipes of lead singer Brett Scallions, backed by thumping drums and bass, and layered guitar work by Carl Bell — has evolved from its beginnings as a raucous band whose combustible material fit its name to a T.

And there are several tracks to support that maturation — or back-sliding, depending on your favorite period for the band — from "Falls On Me," which has made the pop



The men of Fuel pose for their complementary photo in the "Funny Facial Hair" booth at the monster-truck rally.

charts, to other love-lost type ballads such as "These Things," and the unknown (not for long) gem, "Million Miles Away."

But the band hasn't forgotten who brought it to the dance, so Fuel spreads some head-banging, wall-to-wall-to-ceiling hard rock throughout the third disc to keep the faithful relatively happy.

Scallions's vocals and Bell's songwriting are what will determine the future of Fuel, though.

Thanks to these two musicians in their prime, "Natural Selection" is an enjoyable listen, no matter which camp you're in.

STEVE GOODE  
(THE HARTFORD COURANT)

## Top Stops

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### Nu-Folk: John Wesley Harding

**1** Yes, he named himself after a Bob Dylan song, but John Wesley Harding's pretension stops there. As enamored of Elvis Costello's furious, angular melodicism as he is of folk's narrative sinew, Harding is an inventive wordsmith and delightful musical raconteur.

*Iota*, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; 8:30 p.m., \$12; 703-522-8340. (Clarendon)

### Tuna for the Holidays: Y'All Come Back Now

**2** It's Xmas in Texas again, and the citizens of the mythical town of Tuna are gearing up for the big show. Jaston Williams and Joe Sears's holiday special "A Tuna Christmas" opens tonight for a short run and features intra-Tuna battles over a yard-decorating contest, much cross-dressing and other seasonal laffs. Through Nov. 30.

*Warner Theatre*, 1299 Pennsylvania Ave. NW; opens tonight with an 8 p.m. performance; \$30.50-\$44.50; 800-432-7328. (Metro Center)



BILL RECORDS  
Not to rain on anyone's parade, but these Tuna, Texas, chicks are dudes.

### Nordic Beauty: Scandinavia in Season

**3** Union Station gets gussied up, Nordic-style, with the opening of its "Norwegian Christmas" display. A kick-off ceremony this morning at 10 gets the model trains winding through fjords and mountains, and Dec. 2 at 6 p.m. the 30-foot tree will be officially lit by Robert Aubrey Davis. Through Dec. 31.

*Union Station*, 50 Massachusetts Ave. NE; 202-289-1908.

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# Entertainment

# Magically Malicious

**A nice young British wizard, but working for the dark side**

**BOOKS** | Jonathan Stroud stands before his young bookstore audience with colored markers and a big pad of paper. He wants to know what they think a traditional magician looks like.

"Tall, pointy hat," one girl says.

"Long beard," says another.

"Magic wand."

"Right!" Stroud says, quickly adding each component to his drawing.

And that, he tells them, is exactly the sort of magician he didn't want in his new book, "The Amulet of Samarkand," the first installment in the "Bartimaeus trilogy."

Some in the book world see so much promise in the series that they've deemed it "the next Harry Potter." The first book — recently released both in Stroud's native England and the United States — is already being turned into a movie by Miramax Films.

Stroud is well aware of the inevitable comparisons to J.K. Rowling's wildly popular Harry Potter series. "The problem was wanting to do something different," he said of



**"MAKE IT OUT TO DRAGONGODDESS":** Stroud meets with young fans (actually named Sarah and Kate Yockes) in Illinois.

the idea, which came to him as he walked home from work in the rain one evening more than two years ago.

"I was trudging along, feeling very depressed about life, carrying heavy shopping bags," he tells his young audience. And then the idea — and book's main characters — came to him.

The magicians in his story are, in fact, the bad guys.

This time, the magician is a youngish man in a business suit, carrying a brief case. His name is Simon Lovelace, and he's the book's main villain. The protagonists are Nathaniel, a young apprentice magician, and Bartimaeus, a "djinni." But Bartimaeus is no eager-to-please do-gooder flowing out of a bottle.

Narrating some of the story himself, Bartimaeus is a cocky, larger-than-life personality whom

Nathaniel conjures up in the book's first chapter. Nathaniel orders Bartimaeus to steal an amulet necklace from Lovelace, a powerful and pompous figure who humiliated him when he was a young boy. And the adventure moves on from there.

"At the point I started writing, I didn't even know what the amulet did," Stroud says, and he's not about to tell — you'll have to read the book. MARTHA IRVINE (AP)

# The Light Fantastic

**Only a bright orange plastic gun can save Astigos from Zott**

**VIDEO GAMES** | One of the better light-gun series is back, and "Time Crisis 3" from Namco for the PlayStation 2 might revive interest in the rare gaming breed.

If you're already packing, the game comes in a software-only package. If you'd like the latest in orange plastic firearms, it also comes packaged with the Guncon 2 controller. You can play the game without the gun, but don't. The



**Geektalk alert:** VSSE operatives ready to face off against the Zagorian army.

**Guncon 2 triples the fun.**

"Time Crisis 3" takes the intrepid operatives of the VSSE International Intelligence Agency to the tiny Mediterranean island of Astigos. Astigos, once a peaceful place, has come under attack from General Giorgio Zott and his evil flunkies in the Zagorian army.

They quickly subdued the island's residents and placed missiles on the island. It's your job to gather information on what's going on, and in the process polish off as many of Zott's stooges as possible.

There's a Rescue mode, in which you play as a young freedom fighter;

there's a Crisis mode, which features a series of missions; and a two-player mode, which offers cooperative play on a split screen.

You follow a set-in-stone path through the game, firing at every enemy you see. Enemies wear brightly colored jump suits, and your partner has a little arrow over his head. If you shoot him, you lose points, and probably your place on his Christmas list.

A new feature in the series is a variety of weapons, including the basic pistol, a machine gun, shot gun and grenade launcher.

"Time Crisis 2" isn't going to keep you tied up for weeks, even at the higher difficulty settings. But replay value is high, simply because the game is a hoot to play.

WILLIAM SCHIFFMANN (AP)

## TopStops

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### Grand Old Dems: History Repeats Itself

**4** Jules Witcover's "Party of the People: A History of the Democrats" is a lively and fun-fact-stuffed survey of that political faction from the late 1700s, when it ran its first presidential candidate Clinton (New York Gov. George), and was accused of being "the French party," till now, when ... hey, wait a minute!

*Politics & Prose, 5015 Connecticut Ave. NW; 7 p.m., free; 202-364-1919.*

### Tuna Again? Well, Sort Of

**5** The Original Hot Tuna was one of the many '60s bands influenced by Delta blues and determined to become super-proficient at their instruments. Later known as Hot Tuna, the founding members — guitarist Jorma Kaukonen and uber-bassist Jack Casady — are still playing, and the band's name is still kind of annoying.

*Birchmere, 3701 Mt. Vernon Ave., Alexandria; 7:30 p.m., \$27.50; 703-549-7500.*



**STRING THEORY:** Casady and Kaukonen cook up some Hot Tuna.

### Women at War: Alix the Conqueror

**6** Anti-war, anti-gender-oppression and anti-intolerance isn't the negative type. She's the patriarchy's worst nightmare — a loudmouthed spitfire with a wicked wit and an elegant way with zinging the powers that be. She'll be doing her excoriating spoken-word stand-up with singer-songwriter Pamela Means.

*Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; 9 p.m., \$8; 202-667-7960. (U St.-Cardozo)*

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**SWF, 20, FULL-FIGURED**, likes movies, travel, music, swimming and time with family and friends. Seeking SWB, 20-29, who shares these interests. **2807867**

**SBF, 39, N/S, 5'4"**, 130lbs, brown complexion, burgundy hair, RN, three children, enjoys movies, dining, quiet times, seeks woman, 29-50, for conversation, sharing special moments. **2802729**

**SBF, 24, 5'6"**, 116lbs, slender build, enjoys jazz and just about any kind of fun. Seeking SWB, 21-39, N/S, no children, for LTR. **2805837**

**SBF, 38, SAGITTARIUS**, mother, works at nursing home, laid-back, enjoys dining, movies, seeks man, 32-45, for friendship, possible romance. **2713900**

**SBF, 38, 6'**, 145lbs, fit, enjoys sports, movies, dining out, and travel. Seeking SWPM with similar interests. **2836120**

**BLACK BEAUTY, 31, 5'8"**, professional, retired model, well-read, well-traveled, outspoken, classy, intelligent, French-speaking exotic lady ISO tall, intelligent, secure WM, 35-55. Call now. **2486661**

**SF, 20, 5'4"**, 140lbs, black/brown, likes working out, reading, travel, sports, music. Seeking SHM, 21-30, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. **2641792**

**SBF, 31, FAIR-SKINNED**, feminine, full-figured, with great sense of humor, varied interests. Seeks SPM, 30-40, for friendship, laughs, intelligent conversation, possible LTR. **2636668**

**SWF, 33, ATTORNEY**, new to area, tall, blonde/blue-green, Pisces, N/S, sports lover, enjoys traveling and jazz clubs. Seeking tall PM, 34-44, N/S, dog a+. **2589833**

**SEXY SBF, 29, 5'5"**, 140lbs, long/brown, outgoing, professional, affectionate, loves comedy shows, beaches, and concerts. Seeking attractive, outgoing, independent, intelligent, WM, 29-45, N/S. **2590049**

**ATTRACTIVE SBF, 26**, one child, shapey, HPTW. ISO SW/HM, 26-32, for fun, going out, companionship. **2570005**

**SBF, 33, CANCER**, N/S, seeks BM, 25-40, N/S, for dating/LTR. **2441357**

**DBF, 38, 5'5"**, 120lbs, enjoys walks, reading, traveling, music, the beach. Seeking honest, sincere man, for friendship first. **2440790**

**38-YEAR-OLD SBF MOTHER**, enjoys keeping busy and more. Looking to chill with an independent, honest, affectionate, fun-loving SBF friend for the winter and beyond. Thirsty for life and good times? **2884369**

**TALL, INDEPENDENT SWPF, 37**, enjoys books, gardening, cats, horses, country drives, theater, music, festivals, exploring nature, variety and romance. **2776828**

**FORMER MODEL, 27, 5'10"**, 125lbs, African-American female, seeking male, 35-50, for friendship, fun and travel. **2772154**

**SW TEACHER, 34**, is interested in all types of music (especially classical and 80s), and is looking for a man who stays active and cultured. **2753605**

**AFRICAN LADY, SBF, 32, 5'9"**, looking for SM, 40+, race open, for long-term relationship. No games please. **2610855**

**22-YEAR-OLD, SBF, 5'10"**, light complexion, curvaceous, attractive, recent college graduate, seeking SWB/MM, 27-36, with similar interests, for companionship. **2771602**

**TALL, BEAUTIFUL, BLACK**, plus-sized professional female, 32, ISO tall professional male, 32-40, for dating. **2640310**

**AFRICAN-AMERICAN SF, 27**, Aries, N/S, educator, tall, athletic, seeks African-American S/D/M, 24-37, N/S, for sharing fun, dinner, movies, sporting events. **2727939**

**36-YEAR-OLD, AFRICAN-AMERICAN SF, 5'3"**, 150lbs, dark brown complexion, brown hair, no kids, laid-back, enjoys movies, plays, concerts, outdoor events, seeking gentleman, 35-40, with similar interests. **2673648**

**FRIENDS FIRST** WITH long-term prospects. SWPF, 33, smart, sweet, attractive seeks SWP, 30-45, intelligent, honest, witty and spiritual. **2638484**

**I'M EVERYWOMAN, COSMOPOLITAN SWPF, 36**, curly long brown/blue, ISO financially secure, young-looking SWP, 40-50, athletic build, who wants to share all life has to offer. **2610019**

**CHANCE FOR ROMANCE**, SBF, 36, 5'3", 165lbs. Educated, affectionate, down-to-earth, feminine, childless. Looking to develop, build, and create the impossible with you. **SBP, 38+, N/S, 2495690**

**SOUTHERN GAL, 37**, SBF, 5'2", down to earth, enjoys concerts, movies, quiet times at home. Seeking SBPM, 35-45, for friendship and possible LTR. **2846549**

**FULL-FIGURED SBF, 26, 6'1"**, Taurus, seeks SBM, 25-35, 6+, who likes travel, sports, and quiet evenings at home. **2848970**

**SBF, 35, 5'3"**, high-spirited, full of positive energy, smoker, not afraid to shoot from the hip, seeks SM, 43-55, smoker, independent. **2752225**

**PROFESSIONAL, TALL, SLIM**, vegan, real estate expert, swimming, biking. Seeking WIM, 35-50, with same interests. **2752691**

**INTELLIGENT, INDEPENDENT, TRUSTWORTHY** SBF, 37, seeks down-to-earth, humorous, loving SWM, 28-40, who enjoys football, dining out, reading, movies, music and more. **2742806**

**SOUTHERN BEAUTY, SBF, 39, 5'8"**, no kids, enjoys outdoor activities, travel. Seeking SB/HPM, 34-44, N/S, bad boy/good guy, with a sense of humor, no kids. **2739121**

**ATRACTIVE, INTELLIGENT SPF, 35, 5'4"**, slender, brown/green, enjoys art, playing piano, traveling, trying new things. Seeking handsome, tall, kind, honest SWPM, 30-40, N/S, for LTR. **2723814**

**ATTRACTIVE SBF MOM, 33**, down-to-earth, caring, enjoys movies, dining, outdoors. Seeking honest, caring SM, 30-39, race open, for friendship first. **2893133**

**SBF, 34, 6'0"**, light skin, attractive, tall, slender, free-spirited, N/S. Seeking WM, 35-52, tall, romantic, financially independent for friendship and possible relationship. **28036329**

**ATTRACTIVE SBF, 36**, Cancer, N/S, seeks man, 36-55, who likes to give attention and receive. **2859839**

**VERY OUTGOING SBF, 34, 5'3"**, 145lbs, fit, in search of sincere, kind gentleman, 29-39. I have too many interests to list here; call, we'll talk! **28469865**

**ATTRACTIVE, FULL FIGURED SBF, 28**, Leo, non-smoker, who enjoys sports, outdoor activities and dancing. Seeking HM, 25-35, with similar interests. For friendship. **2845348**

**SHF, 36, SCORPIO, N/S**, seeks WM, 36-45, N/S, who is spontaneous and likes to have fun. **28443295**

**SBF, 32, ATTRACTIVE**, intelligent, loves to read, watch movies, bowl, skate, play pool, take long walks. Seeking mature, humorous, family oriented SM, 33-55. **2841069**

**ARE YOU THE honorable, articulate, handsome, SBPM, 5'104, 35-40**, for this opinionated, outgoing, attractive, SBF? 38? Let's find out. **2842193**

**BF, 35, TWO** children, looking for a SM, 35-50, 5'10"+, for friendship and conversation first, maybe leading to more. Must like children. **28387069**

**SF, 34, LIKES** playing pool, biking, dining out, movies, clubs, quiet times at home. Seeking mature SM, 33-40, ready to be in a serious relationship. **2839878**

**PETITE SBF, 37**, Sagittarius, N/S, seeks nice, loving, caring, friendly, honest man, 35-50, for LTR. **28905439**

**FULL-FIGURED SBF, 66**, loves the Lord, would like to meet a man, 60-75, for casual dating, conversation, and maybe more. **2807949**

**IN SEARCH OF** an honest man with a good sense of humor and a love for children, for quality time with this SWF. **28, 330886**

**SAPF, 38, SEEKS** honest, sincere, good hearted, educated SW/APM, 35-48, N/S, who enjoys nature, music, for LTR. **2895164**

**SBP, 29, 5'3"**, 145lbs, very attractive, down-to-earth, great sense of humor, lots of fun, very intelligent. Seeking tall SM, 25-30, with similar qualities. **2804276**

**DBF, 38, 5'7"**, hard-working, business owner, single mom, seeks SBM, 38-45, 6+, honest, hard-working, romantic, responsible for LTR. **28299267**

**SBF, 32, PISCES**, N/S, with kids, seeks SM, 32-60, who enjoys traveling, shopping, for dating, and LTR. **28293934**

**Pretty SBF, 34**, Leo, N/S, good morals and values, enjoys movies, nature, home life. Seeking Christian man, 33-45, for marriage and future family. **28267890**

**RUSSIAN BORN, ATTRACTIVE SWF, 37, 5'8"**, 155lbs, blonde/green, Aquarius, easygoing, honest, down-to-earth, enjoys outdoors, and all things beautiful. Seeking nice SWF, 35-45, gentleman who enjoys the simple things in life. **2840412**

**SF, 26, 5'7"**, 165lbs, black/brown, nurse, enjoys sports, just hanging out. Seeking similar male, 20-37, for friend-ship or more. **28256470**

## Men Seeking Women

**SEPARATED BM, 33, 5'9"**, 350lbs, dad of 3, Capricorn, N/S, seeks woman, 35-50, who appreciates a man of substance. **2812428**

**SBM, 42, 6'**, 190lbs, athletic, muscular, N/S, works in human resources, loves plays, jazz, cats, and dogs. Seeking WF, 28-51, fit, N/S, educated. **2812876**

**SBM, 46, 6'3"**, system administrator, Capricorn, N/S, seeks woman, 26-50, for LTR. Let's talk. **2806904**

**SBM, 40, 5'11"**, 185lbs, brown complexion, average build, short black hair, N/S, seeks woman, 35-60, level-headed, alluring, low-keyed. **2812238**

**SBM, 21, OUTGOING** and friendly seeks real, kind, respectful, pretty, proportionate female for good times and friendship. **2804719**

**SM, 34, 6'2"**, 220lbs, brown complexion, enjoys bowling, movies, having fun with friends. Seeking honest, real SF to share good times and more. **2804872**

**SECURE, HONEST, SPONTANEOUS** SBPM, 39, in telecommunications, enjoys nights out, travel (especially South America), horseback riding, reading, museums. Seeking intelligent, laid-back, happy lady for romance. **2805037**

**SBM, 32, 5'7"**, brown eyes, brown complexion, hard-working, likes movies, dining out, malls, times at home. Seeking SF with similar interests. **2804628**

**FUNNY, OUTGOING SWM, 24**, Capricorn, smoker, seeks fun, attractive, outgoing, down-to-earth woman, 18-30, smoker, who likes to have a good time. **2879781**

**SBM, 40, ARIES**, N/S, 5'9", 240lbs, solid build, enjoys movies, travel, casinos. Seeking SWM, 25-45, for possible relationship. **2879173**

**SM, 28, 6'**, medium build, Gemini, N/S, enjoys fishing, movies, travel, sports, working out, music. Seeking SBF, 20-24, N/S, for possible relationship. **2878082**

**MALE, 49, TAURUS**, N/S, 5'10", brown/brown, 190lbs, traveled, educated, seeks SF, 36-52, N/S, to share dining, movies, other activities. **2871232**

**SBM, 26, PISCES**, N/S, 5'6", brown complexion, enjoys relaxing, sports. Seeking SBM, 23-32, N/S, similar height, laid back. **2878246**

**SM, 26, CANCER**, N/S, 5'8", new to area, enjoys golf, tennis, basketball. Seeking woman, 20-28, for possible relationship. **2878504**

**SBM, AVERAGE BUILD**, 54, 245lbs, 5'11", Aquarius, smoker, enjoys movies, dining, walks, dancing. Seeking SWM, 23-25, **28792765**

**SBM, 5'11", ATHLETIC** build, 19, Capricorn, smoker, enjoys doing many different things. Seeking SF, 18-19, smoker, for LTR. **28793132**

**ADVENTUROUS, CAREER-MINDED, DEPENDABLE** SBM, 42, enjoys, reading, cooking, exercising, movies, sporting events. ISO SW/HF to share the fun times with, friendship first, possible LTR. **2870011**

**SM, 18, 5'10"**, 160lbs, long, dark/hazel, interested in a woman who is nice, respectful, fit, pretty and fun to hang out with. **28704917**

**LAWYER, WEIGHTLIFTER, TRAVELER**, SWM, 35, enjoys long walks, old movies and shopping. **2862559**

**FANTASTIC GUY WILL** make life worth living. SBM, 23, Virgo, N/S, enjoys the cinema, outings, watching sports, going to night clubs, seeks compatible WF, 20-35. **28605028**

**SWPM, 30, ATTRACTIVE** SECURE, trustworthy, independent, good-hearted, likes pets, ISO SBM, 25-45, friends first, possible LTR. **28605978**

**SCBM, 37, 6'1"**, handsome, kind, thoughtful, a gentleman. Seeking SBF, 34-39, N/S, who's kind, caring, sincere. Possible LTR. **2864869**

**AN OLDER WOMAN**, 40-55, wanted for dating, possible LTR. Fun, great-looking, built, younger SWM, 26. **28725317**

**DWM, 37, 6'1"**, 200lbs, seeks voluptuous woman for fun, friendship and maybe more with time. **28799630**

**AFRICAN, 29-YEAR-OLD, ENERGETIC**, athletic, N/S, 5'10", fun-loving, active SBCM, 135lbs, loves soccer, tennis, golf sometimes, working out, hip hop, reggae. Seeking a lady-like SF. Friendship/LTR. **28789941**

**Cool WORLD, GREAT-LOOKING** SB Taurus, 36, is passionate, loving, kind and looking for the same in a great guy. **2873074**

**SBP MOTHER, 35, N/S**, is attractive, classy, honest, athletic, and seeking SBM, 38-45, who is secure, established, spiritual and honest. **2872850**

**ATTRACTIVE SBF, 33, 5'11"**, medium build, enjoys music, dancing, movies, travel, sports. Seeking tall SBM, 30-40, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. **28344223**

**SBM, 38, 5'8"**, 140lbs, well-traveled, intelligent, attractive, friendly, enjoys concerts, dining, sports, romance. Seeking attractive, professional, secure SBM, 36-48, who works hard and plays hard. **2848588**

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# Entertainment

## ON TV TONIGHT

### SANTA FINDS WORK FOR IDOL HANDS TO DO

**AN AMERICAN IDOL CHRISTMAS** (8 p.m., Fox) According to my unscientific and completely fabricated survey, 47.9 percent of Americans have not yet thawed their Thanksgiving turkey. A surprising 32.9 percent of the population is still coping with an uneaten surplus of Halloween candy corn. And a full 87 percent of the population resents the early arrival of Christmas programming.

Ready or not, "An Idol Christmas" features performances by winners Kelly Clarkson and Ruben Studdard, as well as runners-up from the past two seasons of the popular amateur hour.

This premature holiday special offers viewers an opportunity to see Studdard and his rival, Clay Aiken, sing together. Much has been made of how Aiken has trumped Studdard with his platinum album "Measure of a Man." (Studdard's record has yet to be released.) Other featured "Idol" vets include Christina Christian, Tamra Gray, Justin Guarini and Kimberley Locke.



Pass the holiday spirits: "AI" contestants demonstrate genuine seasonal cheer.

### PAGING MR. GUFFMAN

"Livermore" on **INDEPENDENT LENS** (10 p.m., PBS) Filmmakers Rachel Raney and David Murray read a newspaper article reporting that officials of the northern California town of Livermore had "misplaced" a time capsule buried in 1969.

Raney and Murray were exploring the idea of how small towns get overrun by malls and sprawl, and the lost time capsule struck Raney as "a powerful if subtle metaphor of a town losing its identity."

They traveled to Livermore to find that the town that once shared space

with cattle fields had now been overrun by generic developments. But they also discovered a rich cast of characters, many of whom participated in the 1969 celebration of Livermore's centennial, an event that inspired a civic-minded, and hysterical, 16mm movie.

### DEADLINES

**JOURNALISTS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY** (9 p.m., Trio) Anderson Cooper anchors this news documentary; Tom Brokaw, Peter Jennings, Dan Rather and Walter Cronkite narrate segments of the film.

**KEVIN McDONOUGH** (United Feature Syndicate)

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## Health & Fitness

# Hey, Good Lookin'

**Passing assessments on health tend to be surprisingly accurate**

**LONGEVITY** | Maybe it's not so shallow after all, that most good-natured greeting, "Hey, you're looking well." If made in earnest, this observation can be a remarkably accurate assessment of a person's physical health, a new study suggests.

Researchers in New Jersey had a team of students conduct in-depth interviews with 851 men and women, age 50 and up, all living in a retirement community.

After each interview, the students assigned an overall health rating, from one (appears sick) to five (appears very healthy), to the retiree.

Ten years later, the people who the students thought appeared sick or less healthy were three times more likely to have died than those rated as healthy-looking, the researchers found.

When rating their own health, people often brush their medical histories with a gloss of optimism



"Liz, you look marvelous!" "Thank you, Chita! You just added years to my life."

and hope.

In fact, good psychological health rests partly on a refusal to indulge in gloomy preoccupation with the threat of illness, even while taking steps to address real symptoms.

That's why the common social lie told to haggard-looking friends, in-laws or others — "Hey, you look greaat" — also has consequences.

As previous studies have found, people told they look unwell are highly likely to suddenly notice "symptoms," even when they're physically fine.

BENEDICT CAREY (L.A. TIMES)



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Experts say the most important thing to realize is that international medical school graduates, or IMGs, not only must pass the same state licensing tests and residency requirements as domestically trained doctors, they must go even further.

IMGs must pass English proficiency tests, as well as the ECFMG's Clinical Skills Assess-

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The fact that a doctor is accepted by a health plan means the insurance company has verified his or her basic credentials through state medical boards, residency programs, medical schools and other sources.

Still, there is information available on most doctors that might not disqualify them from a health plan, but that might nonetheless influence your decision on whether he or she is the right choice for you. Many state medical boards offer physician profiles in searchable databases on the Internet. MICHAEL P. REGAN (AP)

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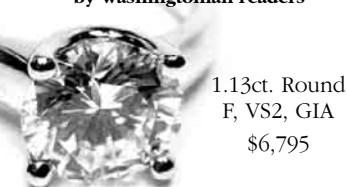
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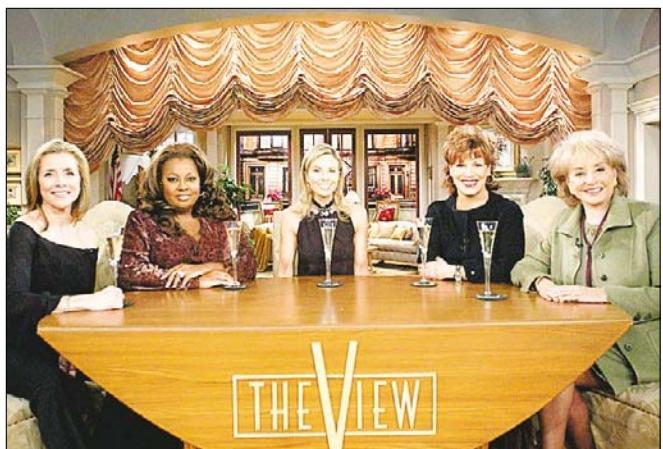
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# People

THEATER, OF SORTS

**Next: Jerry on Ice**

**JERRY SPRINGER** — The Opera," a raucous British musical satire of the trashy American TV show, was named best musical Monday at the 49th Evening Standard Theatre Awards, the British version of the Tonys. If it follows in the footsteps of other successful London shows, "Springer" might find its way to an opera house or fairground near you. (AP)



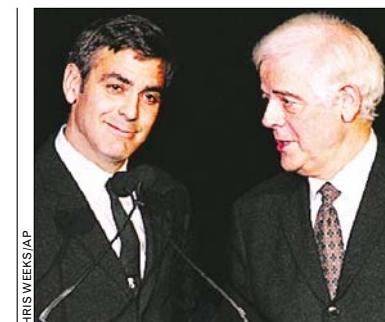
NEWCOMERS

**A New 'View'**

The tribe has spoken:

**ELISABETH HASSELBECK**

(center) is the new co-host on "The View." Hasselbeck, 26, who made it to the finale on "Survivor: The Australian Outback," happily took her seat at the table Monday, where she watched a congratulatory recording from her husband, Redskins quarterback Tim Hasselbeck. (AP)



George Clooney with his politically ambitious father, Nick Clooney.

## POLITICOS

**Next Episode of 'K Street'****NICK CLOONEY**, father of actor **GEORGE CLOONEY** and brother of the late singer Rosemary Clooney, said on

Monday he will run for the U.S. Congress from a district in northern Kentucky. Clooney, 67, will campaign as a Democrat to succeed three-term Democrat Rep. Ken Lucas. Clooney, a former Cincinnati television news anchorman who now writes a thrice-weekly column for the Cincinnati Post, has never run for public office. (AP)

## HEARSAY | PUBLIC RELATIONS



"We will not provide commentary on every ... allegation du jour. We intend to try our case in the courtroom, not in the public or the media."

— MICHAEL JACKSON

IN A STATEMENT POSTED ON HIS NEW WEB SITE, REGARDING THE FALLOUT FROM CHILD MOLESTATION CHARGES FILED AGAINST HIM.

## NUPTIALS

**Nomar, Mia Tie the Knot; Will Superbaby Be Next?**

Boston Red Sox shortstop **NOMAR GARCIAPIARRA** and soccer star **MIA HAMM** were married in a private ceremony Saturday. According to a relative of Garciaiparra, a few hundred guests attended the wedding



on a bluff overlooking the ocean in Santa Barbara, Calif. The nuptials were planned nearly a year to the day after the power hitter proposed to his soccer sweetie.

The couple met at charity event in 1998 and started dating last Thanksgiving, shortly after Hamm was divorced from her husband of six years. (AP)



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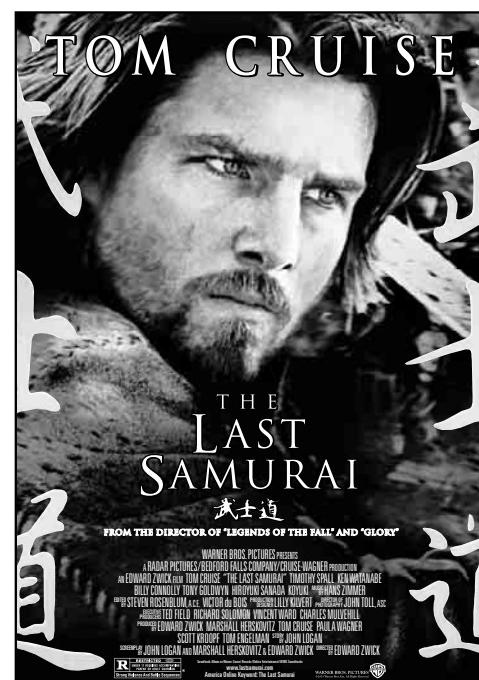
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# Playback

## Letters

### TO THE EDITOR

I AM A 43-YEAR-OLD woman in a relationship with a 45-year-old man. We don't plan to have children. If marriage is, as Shenna Ross defines it, "a unity between a born male and a born female to reproduce and raise a healthy, whole and loving family" (Nov. 24), does this mean we should not get married? Marriage today is about love, commitment and companionship. It should be extended to same-sex relationships.

LESLIE BOSCH  
Washington, D.C.

MANY OF US METRO riders who start our commute at the McLean Westpark Transit Station would like to request the availability of Express at this station, where more than half the buses are Metrobuses. When we get to our Metro stations, many of us don't have time to walk down and get a paper, and we're left out.

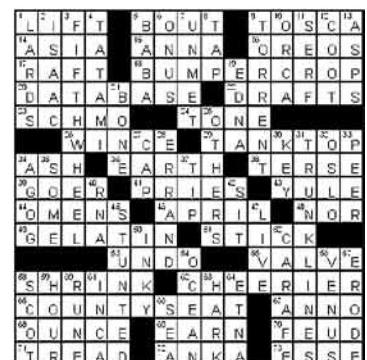
HERBERT BRESNICK  
Reston, Va.

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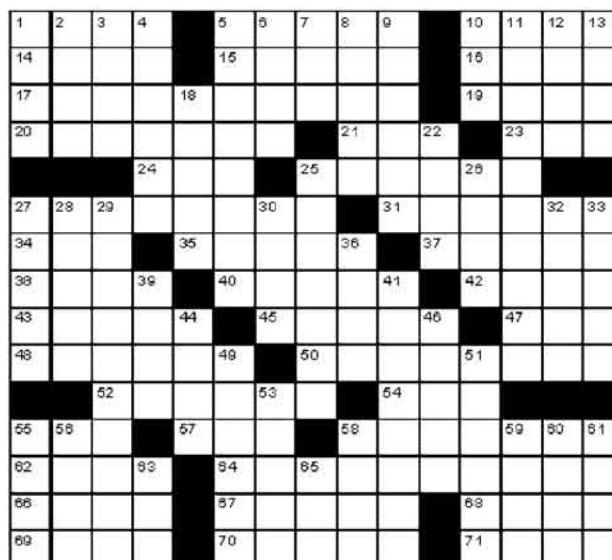
### Yesterday's Solutions



### Crossword Puzzle: Special K | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

#### ACROSS

- 1 Peruvian empire builder
- 5 In full voice
- 10 Pass up
- 14 American-born Jordanian queen
- 15 The Friendly Islands
- 16 Maine tree
- 17 Hardly bowlegged
- 19 Phrase in legalese
- 20 Sunrooms
- 21 Collar a con
- 23 "Sanford and \_\_\_"
- 24 Prefix for profit
- 25 Running water
- 27 Bill Clinton, originally
- 31 Most reliable
- 34 "Doll face"
- 35 Red dye
- 37 Manufacturer
- 38 Bypass
- 40 More congenial
- 42 Enthusiastic thumbs-up
- 43 It's built for speed
- 45 Went downhill very quickly
- 47 Kicker's aid
- 48 They're over many feet
- 50 About half the people in revolving doors
- 52 "Am I my brother's \_\_\_?"
- 54 Spoon-bending



- Geller
- 55 Lobster's parent
- 57 Word describing Abner
- 58 CBer's oft-repeated word
- 62 Face shape
- 64 "A Fish Called Wanda" Oscar winner
- 66 Some cellar-dwellers

- 67 Overdo a part
- 68 Took steps
- 69 Nevada city on the Humboldt
- 70 Took supper
- 71 Some Louvre hangings
- DOWN
- 1 Writing fluids
- 2 Talking during a

- 11 Cole Porter musical
- 12 Really digging
- 13 Lowly laborer
- 18 Jockey Julie
- 22 Smile up a storm
- 25 Derisive laugh
- 26 Miles off
- 27 Today, in Tijuana
- 28 Like the Colosseum
- 29 Bit of bric-a-brac
- 30 Sale stipulation
- 32 Discontinue, as relations
- 33 They're scarce on llanos
- 36 Dresden denial
- 39 Kind of vision or type
- 41 Took back
- 44 It might wind up on a lake?
- 46 First name among shortstops
- 49 Some hairdos or punch
- 51 Venetian commercial center
- 53 Varnish base
- 55 It's where the heart is
- 56 Aptanagram for vile
- 58 Take the bait
- 59 Soprano Te Kanawa
- 60 Organic compound
- 61 NL franchise
- 63 Tolstoy's first name
- 65 "\_\_\_ Ryan's Express" (1965)

### The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



### Horoscope | Stella Wilder

- SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — You'll enjoy a new glimpse of someone you thought you knew well. Your eyes are sure to be opened to new possibilities.
- CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — If things get boring, blame yourself. Whether you know it, you are firmly in control.
- AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — It's a good day to indulge in a little nostalgia with a loved one. Memories take you back to your past, and clear the haze from your present.
- PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** — You may be sought out by others simply by virtue of your patience and honesty — both of which will prove widely valuable at this time.
- ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Take your

act on the road. A friend or loved one expresses an interest in coming along; don't say no.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — Your outgoing personality, though usually a strength, may actually be getting on someone's nerves. Tone it down.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — Don't take yourself — or others — too seriously. Humor and light-heartedness can work wonders when those around you succumb to stress.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — It may prove more difficult than expected to make the headway you have been preparing for over the last few weeks.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Someone has been waiting for an answer from you. Don't hesitate any longer; make a decision and stick with it.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — Though some may think you are hard to understand, someone close to you knows exactly what makes you tick. Stay close to home.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — You can handle a lot more than you think. Tap that private resource you have deep within, and start fighting back in your own way.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — Don't unveil all your plans too soon. Keep something under wraps until just the right moment. Surprise 'em.

#### MUHAMMAD'S DEATH SENTENCE

### Live Online

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

**STEVEN BENJAMIN**, criminal defense attorney, was online Monday to discuss convicted sniper John Allen Muhammad's death sentence.

**If the death ruling is upheld, what kind of timetable is Muhammad looking at before he is ultimately put to death? What factors are involved in such a decision?**

The lapse of time between death sentence and execution in Virginia has steadily decreased over the years as the procedure has become streamlined. Currently, a person sentenced to death whose sentence is upheld will be executed within four years of sentencing. The only factors now relevant to the verdict or the sentence are issues of law, the adequacy of the representation and the discharge by the prosecution of its obligation to disclose information favorable to the defense.

**How will the jury's decision for John Allen Muhammad affect the trial of Malvo?**

It will not affect Malvo's trial. In fact, if anything, it could be a factor in Malvo's favor. I do not expect Malvo's attorneys to object to the jury learning that Muhammad received the death penalty.

**Is there a chance that the judge will make it a life sentence?**

No. The judge has the ultimate power to reduce the sentence to life, but that is a power that is very, very rarely exercised.

**If the jury came back and decided on life in jail instead of death, could the judge reverse that decision at sentencing?**

Although the judge has the power to reduce the sentence from death to life in prison, the judge cannot increase the sentence. The jury's function is now complete and the next step will be the formal imposition of the death sentence on Feb. 12.

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